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APPLICANT SHIGEKAZU KATO, KUDAMATSU-SHI, JAPAN; KOUJI NISHIHATA, TOKUYAMA-SHI, JAPAN; TSUNEHICO TSUBONE, HIKARI-SHI, JAPAN; ATSUSHI ITOU, KUDAMATSU-SHI, JAPAN.

****CONTINUING DOMESTIC DATA*******

VERIFIED THIS APPLN IS A DIV OF 09/177,495 10/23/98
SMH WHICH IS A CON OF 09/061,062 04/16/98 PAT 5,950,330
 WHICH IS A CON OF 08/882,731 06/26/97 PAT 5,784,799
 WHICH IS A DIV OF 08/593,870 01/30/96 PAT 5,661,913
 WHICH IS A CON OF 08/443,039 05/17/95 PAT 5,553,396
 WHICH IS A DIV OF 08/302,443 09/09/94 PAT 5,457,896
 WHICH IS A CON OF 08/096,256 07/26/93 PAT 5,349,762
 WHICH IS A CON OF 07/751,951 08/29/91 PAT 5,314,509

****371 (NAT'L STAGE) DATA*******

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****FOREIGN APPLICATIONS*******

VERIFIED JAPAN 02-225321 08/29/90
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IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE GRANTED 09/28/99

Foreign Priority claimed 35 USC 119 (a-d) conditions met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> Met after Allowance	STATE OR COUNTRY JPX	SHEETS DRAWING 1	TOTAL CLAIMS 18	INDEPEN CLAIMS
Verified and Acknowledged <u>SMH</u> Examiner's Initials _____					

SEE CUSTOMER NUMBER: 020457

VACUUM PROCESSING ~~APPARATUS~~ AND OPERATING METHOD ~~THEREFOR~~

WITH WAFERS, SUBSTRATES AND/OR SEMICONDUCTORS

FILING FEE RECEIVED \$760	FEES: Authority has been given in Paper No. _____ to charge/credit DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. _____ for the following:	<input type="checkbox"/> All Fees <input type="checkbox"/> 1.16 Fees (Filing) <input type="checkbox"/> 1.17 Fees (Processing Ex <input type="checkbox"/> 1.18 Fees (Issue) <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Credit
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